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PORCHESTER TERRACE
HYDE PARK W

6.6.1902

Dearest:

Thanks for your letter I am
glad you have asked Miss
Richmond up without waking me.
You see I know her. She will I
fear be a fatiguing guest & not
much worth the day, as she is
hard & unimpressible. I judge
the fatigue for you & feel that
when you undergo it there are
people so much more worth
while. If you go off into
lectures or I could recommend
so many. Yrs Clement Parsons

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must also be fatiguing but so much
more worth doing.

Re Christ Study. B. D. is ap-
parently anti & much more
honesty so that some people
are over other young camps.

She told them so when they
asked her to come in for
year to me. She asked
them to remove her name but
they have agreed to do so.

She will explain to Mrs
Richmond. I am going
to the at home among 500
invited guests, just for copy

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when one speaks against. By the
way Mrs Richmond has just got
me a new Roman Catholic
member.

I have heard nothing from
Mrs Christ & so I think I told
them to ^{send} ~~write~~ to you direct.
Perhaps you had better write
again.

Please return me Nature
Study programme of letters.
I do not intend to write mine

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out, must I? I hate it & am
never inspired.

Thank you for writing to Miss Hume
If she doesn't come I just must
what in the world I am to do
with my poor children. I
can't send them to K.A.S.
Now, you will hear me. That
is the worst of my Rivington
to me.

You send me no details of
the enclosed letter. What do
you get it? I am all with

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pleasure when I hear .

Have you really read Mrs Knivins
paper. There is as much
literature in it as anything
else .

By the bye Mrs Richmond may have
modified her paper but she
spoke wanting in respect for
the childrens truthfulness .

Another thing . When you talk
glibly of B. P. leaving us &
going on . you don't seem to realize

that next to me she is
absolutely the only member of

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committee who know what we
are at. This is not a judgment
tinged by affection in the least,
yrs. Since we all are just
amateurs learning & not knowing
was grasping.

By the way will you write to Lou:
suggesting that her paper should
be printed as before as a pamphlet
It is needed to hand to new-
members & new members &
nurses &c. I don't want
the suggestion to come from me.
You don't know what the presence

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of a certain personage on the Com:
means. I hope she will be
re-elected in the autumn. Her
whole spirit seems altered.
She does not take in the Review
as she dislikes it, she has
no sympathy with our principles
as teaching & she is only
I think a dangerous spy &
has really no right there.
I will dictate what I can
of Wednesday. but I
will tell you mine long
later.

It is not for publication. I am
going to read it at Woodford &
working of course altered —
your loving
Hester

26. x. 1902

Dearest!

We had two nice days
at Chester & were much
interested in the quaint streets
with their double rows of
shops, the town walls and
which we can walk to
the red sandstone Cathedral
with its curious mixture
of styles. We drove to
Hawarden which besides
its beautiful grounds, parti-
cularly beautiful in their
autumn dress, has of-
course a peculiar human interest

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I tried in vain to get Cyril
 an account of ^{there} what a
 curious death there seems
 to be this year. We
 came as ~~here~~ last night
 having as usual a camp
 went to ourselves. This
 is a nice quiet family hotel
 where among many others
 Lady Aberdeen comes to -
 various. My meeting
 is to ~~meet~~ at 3. p.m.
 & the next day, I
 have managed to make the

local P. Y. & U. branch having
 a meeting when B. P. speaks
 on "Obedience to ^{the} laws
 minus Richmond and
 "Growth telling" I am vexed
 that they have two speakers
 & above all two subjects.
 Also that ^{the} ~~Y. & U.~~ ^{minus Richmond}
 should be one speaker.
 We invite every one &
 then if heterodoxy is
 given forth, it is P. Y. & U.
 teaching. Our old question
 what is P. Y. & U. teaching

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you & mine & B.P. &
occasionally a stray
outside by accident!!
This brings me to the
Lecturers list! & Francis's
funny little note to
misinterpreted. Of course
the latter has nothing whatever
to do with it. I compiled
~~the~~^{the} ~~list~~^{list} the holidays, after
getting up to date information
from every sec: mentioned
& from every lecturer.
We were always being
asked for accurate information

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ROXBURGH HOTEL

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as to fees & if the
people charge as they do
it must of-course be
known to those who enjoy
them. No one but the
secretaries & local com:
(occasionally) see this
list. But any how
I cannot go the life of
we see how it alters
your position as editor.
We are not suggesting to
the lecturers to charge, we
are not making them do so,

LOXENBURGH HOTEL

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We have only recorded the
fact that they do pray
& always have done so.
Besides they will
print just the same. People
that seem to mind
B.P. is giving "thought-
turning" for example,
a pamphlet of ours
at Richmond next month.
Mrs. Maria repeats
old printed lectures
Mrs. Clement Parsons & to
& Lily is constantly

permitted to give her Hero-
worship again. Quite
right too. The individual
members particularly in
country branches but read
the reviews very carefully &
if they do, the spoken
word, a living voice living
great inspiration. By
the way Lily is going to
lead Hero worship at
a "Pleasant Sunday afternoon
at Empire - 500 were there

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hymns etc. My meeting
at Southend was a failure
the first bad start of
a church I have ever had -
16 in a huge hall &
no real interest except
in 2 or 3 (yrs high Rantzen
who has been to Conference &c)
never mind it was
locally mismanaged.

Miss Toynbee is joined with us
& is lending her name & inviting
her parents to a mod - members
meeting when I shall speak
in Nov.

If I post you
my paper to - would you mind if
I can please return it to No 50

Wade has just had her modern
house at Bourneville with
14 rooms! & use is away
from the Mackenzie is
Ding so well!

TELEPHONE
NO. 212 PADDINGTON

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PORCHESTER TERRACE
HYDE PARK W

11. XI. 1902

Dearest.

We have had our first
conference now: - we have
decided to have the conf.
in the first week in Nov: 1/3
in London - the week
after the I. W. W. So that
we can announce it there
& to have our conference
in June 8th -
We want this to be for
once P. M. C. U. & for you
to write us a paper to be

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had - This is my enough
notice isn't it? Then
we may as may not get
another for you in 1903.
We hope we shall -
There is a something which
will I fear trouble you &
that is why I give you
this my notice. There
will be no conference meeting
in 1903. The conf.
proceedings will appear
I suppose Jan & Feb / 04 -

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In some ways this is best
as it makes a powerful
beginning & people will
join for the next year, but I
am thinking of you.

However I hope the Students
Conference & the conference
may be of some help &
we will all try to help
you so much. In fact
I feel so conscience stricken
in doing to you ladies

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in this way that I need
greatly pay for an article
of two. However you always
seem to manage marvelously
& you are sure to do so.
I hope we shall get some
grand ideas between now
& July for the conference
last year was so good
I feel sure & more that an
underlying thread is
necessary for success
I hope you are still mending
your loving letter

Read enclosure first if possible

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HYDE PARK W

12.11.1902

Dearest!

You know how I hate
worrying you. It seems almost
criminal to do so but all I can
beg is that you can't be
winded. To begin with let
me tell you that no explanations
are necessary between us.
You need not depend yourself
to me nor answer me.
What I want to do is to
show you what you find
you sofa knows to a undoubted
degree but ^{what it} ~~it~~ is impossible

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in its entirety

For you to know ~~all~~ I know
you have always felt and
dare to be "free lance"
I want of faith to me play
and I feel this too but feel
it due to your humility
in never declaring what our
columns are — I who go about
so much know how vague
even our best people are
as to what we mean. In
Edinburgh lady, who was
pushing a new scheme
there in Edinburgh, spoke
to me about this work

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I stopped the phrase "
you know we do not believe
in kindergarten" — a few
days after she came up &
said "I have pondered on what
you said a long time and
plan to do so, we are
told in the Review this
that & so on" — Of course
she was a weak woman &
when I told her to read your
splendid article in April Review
she promised to do so. "she

had missed it" - Then when
~~she~~ asked me what she should
 do ~~she~~ I said push the nurse
 training part, leave out the
 kindergarten part —

well this is by the way.
 you feel this about Froebel
 to me I feel I would rather
 we were here Froebellites
 than Richmanites.

That is to say we live
 to spread principles and
character training. If
 there is anything in which
 the action of Home Education

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HYDE PARK W

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must believe ~~in~~ it is
"Suggestion of right" &
"Belief in the Chedens" —
When Mrs Richmond spoke
of them as "liars & lying
to gain their own end
because they were selfish
& greedy" — (three accu-
sations on one sentence
& of course the worst
reason for Chedens going)

I was terribly upset.
There was an audience

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of mostly new people who
would say "you ask us to
come & hear this new
doctrine or so" —
I spoke what I thought
to be true, teaching —
"affinities not prepared
truth or untruth" —

"Believe the best"
"Let them know we believe"
"cannot tell around a lie"
"Iniquity of passing on
little tired children &
manufacturing lies" —

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Belief in power to help people who
you thinking the best & not
the worst of them" —

She only met her own
friends after the lecture
I met every one & heaps
& heaps of people
thanked me for sending a
newly taste for their
month. Some with many
children who recounted
family histories &c &c.
I & Mrs. Richmond had
only said she gained an
experience from schools
(where I believe with her)

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permeated ideas she
fights the little boys into
lying & that the good of
such a society of ours
was to show Parents how
through inattention & wrong
treatment these needs may
spring up. she ~~threw~~
never ~~sheltered~~ herself -

I thought Mrs. Richmond
was so good that I
asked to speak at
the conference & have put
her on the lecturers list.

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HYDE PARK W

Since then I have felt very
unhappy about this
she is terribly weak &
I believe could be taught
but still she is hard &
lady Campbell, a great friend,
feels too that she is not
P. R. G. U. . You who
never did real justice to
Mrs Boyle, very likely
wisely declared against
her lecturing to us, but

She will be abstract doctrine
which few could understand
and up to half the hour
as this woman with her
clear decisive hard phrases
& belief in original sin.
She was too good - dear.
One against this study, the
other as to 'moral' training
& if she would only keep
to this she would be
alright.

I leave the matter with you

I think, what Mrs. Beckman
cannot, that you were tired
& ill when the paper came
& did not give it due
consideration. Of course I must
care as to what she thinks
of me. I think she is
personally worthy, but I
believe you lost an opportunity
of setting her perhaps at
right, not less wrong.
For me in sending the paper

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to you was in "itself" nice.
Your letter note to keep a
loan of it as she wanted
to show her where we offered
it this letter came as an
answer. If you feel

you "way open" to write &
say what matter straight
away have right - do - if
not leave the matter now
& keep any answer to
me till ^{we} meet. You must
spare yourself no better
things. No one dares
you living

Ketta

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Parents' National Educational Union

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HYDE PARK & BAYSWATER BRANCH

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Mrs. E. L. FRANKLIN

50, PORCHESTER TERRACE
HYDE PARK

(At Home Thursday mornings
or by appointment)

10 . 12 . 3 .

Dear Mrs. Kitching,

I am sending up a few letters
of schools that we had. One little
thing that has occurred to me is that
in advertising any schools that join
us it is important that we put a
foot-note to explain that we only
guarantee them as far as we-oc.oc.
as naturally we might lay ourselves
open to great difficulties, unless we
showed that we cannot guarantee

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anything as to tone, hygiene, & the
various other arrangements of the
school. With such a proviso we shall
be quite all right.

Mr. Beresford of Hunstanton
came up & joined the Union after hearing
the discussion.

Mrs. Beveridge of the Ruskin House
School is a friend of Mr. Glover's & a
cultivated woman. I hope we may be able
to get hold of her.

Please do not trouble to send back
the letters.

Yours sincerely,

H. Franklin
W. H. S.

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No 212 PADDINGTON.

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PORCHESTER TERRACE
HYDE PARK W

17. XII. 1903

Dearest!

The work of getting off,
getting clothes, winding up P.Y.C. &
affairs & was shopping &c,
has made writing very difficult.

Now I am only sending just
a line of greeting. We are all
well & go on 23rd to

"Hotel Adler"

adjoining Switzerland

Monday I go to Badles for the
bear up play.

I had hoped to have your
communications re "associates"

independence

+ "Schools" by yesterday but it
was as was not. I am
putting them on the agenda
for Jan 20th. Will you kindly
have a p.c. written to you
amplified ~~if~~ by Jan 10th if
the matter is not ready.
Perhaps by then you may
already have some response
from schools. I had rather
a hassle yesterday against
you around who is really not
me off who who though really

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powerless is inclined to
stay into a "common
platform" - It is different
not to make (b) in our
objects read as such. One gets
tired that we let Lady Isavel
go because she wanted to
stereotype of kind us to a
name to. However I think

I was a D S Hopwood was
a.1 & most emphatic in
saying we had a "truth which
we must not see" —

If you have time in the next

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month to make a little
statement for me to "voice"
it will be nice. I have told
Miss Ampel to send you
the minute book as you may
be interested in having the
proceedings of the year read
to you whilst you are "resting"
May the Lord all the children
love the "Goblin market"
including Cyril — When do
you want Miss Cox papers. I
find I cannot read it till

Jan 17th so must I send
it to you first. "Best love & good wishes
Hester

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21. 12. 3.

Dearest!

I venture to stop your notice in
the P.R. It seems to me too bare to
be in the least attractive & it might upset
the Committee putting in anything before
even the scheme has been in any way
mentioned to them. I think myself
when the thing is matured we ought to
put the whole notice as you & I planned
it in the Review. What I thought
possibly you would do yourself was to

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sound the schools, particulars of which
you have now got. The whole thing
is yours & you will have the trouble, &
though we ought to push it & announce
it as we do all the other of our agencies—
House of Education, P.R.S., H.S.C., N.H.C.
& library— you will of course arrange
it as you think well. It is quite
formal bringing it up at the Committee, but
until we have done it we must not, I
think, say that they are arranging it, &c.

If you can write to the list you settled
& induce them to join (I think three or
four of them would & your students'
schools would), it would be very nice to be
able to mention this fact at the next meeting.

With love,

Yours affectionately,

H. Franklin.

per A.D.

P.T.O.

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P.S.

Do you care for the enclosed?

TELEPHONE.
No. 212 PADDINGTON.

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PORCHESTER TERRACE
HYDE PARK W

7. 2. 1907

Dearest!

This is our news. Nurse
Hunt arrived Wednesday & Friday
I took Miss Sweetman & Cyril to the
station to see them off to
Littlehampton. I enclose you
their letters & also another
which will interest you.
I then went off to see Mrs. Ben
Sewin whose very charming &
good & clever husband aged
44 ~~has~~ died last Saturday.
He began Pneumonia & Influenza
when ~~he~~ Michael died, got
on well, was smoking & reading
Haley's Ghosts when last

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Thursday he had a fever temp.
I did Saturday. With this in
my mind I thought for a
many weeks I arrived home
& before going upstairs gave
about for Michael's first outing.
I got upstairs & find that
he had had a fine sleep, but
seemed to me suspiciously
flushed. He taking his
temperature we found it 104.
& in spite of sponging &c
B.P. & I were with him
more or less the 3 days &
his temp. only went up.

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However he is well again tho'
a bit dazed & we are going to
send him off to nurse & live
with Olive & nurse Mandy to
run away from the
microbes. You will I think
feel with me under these
circumstances!!! Nurse
Mandy has had a bad beginning
but I think she will do. She is
a gentleman well read &
well educated, & will I hope
do well when she has
got over being in awe of me &

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making pretty speeches & fights
to think she is under criticism.
She hasn't of course Nurse's
instinct & genius for
understanding & managing
human beings, but she
wants to learn. The work
will be her desire to win the
children's affection instead
of being satisfied with their
friendliness & also one understands
she has "patience" enough. It
will be difficult to please one
to the almost ideal, & it
is difficult to combine
"the learner's spirit" with
sufficient self confidence, but

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I believe she is as good as we
shall get & I have a sneaking
hope of Miss Sweeton's coming
back as governess to Cyril
with Bertha as nurse in
2 years, but shall we all be
here then? I hope you
will not put any spokes in
the way of Miss Sweeton's
going to you. I very much
want her to have at least
the term's trial. I am
sure it is the only thing

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joined to put herself out of with my educational side.
the shock of parting. She Home: 500. — Re Schools
long for the new life & being an cross. Please send me the
'inner authority' instead of list we made out together &
commanding it all day, besides the letters I sent you so we
She wants the atmosphere of we just send them the prospects
young people as equals. We must get some to put
She is prepared to try & go I know one which is waiting
if it is not answered to do so I have told the
B.P. thinks it will — Com: that after the suggestions
I have a lecture to read — were our you & we had several
members to read I shall applications from schools
I hope "tain" Miss Mary I must prove it so
a lot. She is very much delighted I am unhappy about it

2/6/8 p.m. 12

Olive is very good with her but
is not happy as helped, but
blamed the be. She says i.e.

"Lysa H. is so discontented
& dissatisfied" "What do you
mean with your work & with you."

"Oh, no she is always grumbling,
if we go for a walk & anything
at what we have to do" "You know
this is what she was at - an obstacle,
not the best influence for Olive.
I hope you are better!"

Best Love

Hetta.

Have you read "The call of the wild"